

HOUSE BILL No. 1082

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 13-13-8-15; IC 13-14-9; IC 13-22-2-4.

Synopsis: Environmental rules and standards. Prohibits the environmental rules board from adopting a rule or standard that is more stringent than the corresponding regulation or standard established under federal law. Makes corresponding changes in the law concerning the adoption of environmental rules.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2015 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 13-13-8-15, AS ADDED BY P.L.133-2012,
2 SECTION 72, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 15. **(a)** The board shall adopt rules under
4 IC 4-22-2 and IC 13-14-9 that are consistent with the purposes of this
5 title.

6 **(b) A rule or standard adopted by the board may not be more**
7 **stringent than the corresponding regulation or standard**
8 **established under federal law.**

9 SECTION 2. IC 13-14-9-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.100-2006,
10 SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
11 JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the
12 department shall provide notice in the Indiana Register of the first
13 public comment period required by section 2 of this chapter. A notice
14 provided under this section must do the following:

- 15 (1) Identify the authority under which the proposed rule is to be
16 adopted.
17 (2) Describe the subject matter and the basic purpose of the



proposed rule. The description required by this subdivision must:

(A) list all alternatives being considered by the department at the time of the notice;

(B) ~~state whether each~~ **attest that no** alternative listed under clause (A) ~~creates~~ **(i) would create** a restriction or requirement more stringent than a restriction or requirement imposed under federal law; ~~or~~

~~(ii)~~ **(C) state whether any alternative listed under clause (A) would create** a restriction or requirement in a subject area in which federal law does not impose restrictions or requirements;

~~(E)~~ **(D)** state the extent to which each alternative listed under clause (A) differs from federal law;

~~(F)~~ **(E)** include any information known to the department about the potential fiscal impact of each alternative **listed** under clause (A) that ~~creates: (i) a restriction or requirement more stringent than a restriction or requirement imposed under federal law; or (ii) would create~~ a restriction or requirement in a subject area in which federal law does not impose restrictions or requirements; and

~~(F)~~ **(F)** set forth the basis for each alternative listed under clause (A).

(3) Describe the relevant statutory or regulatory requirements or restrictions relating to the subject matter of the proposed rule that exist before the adoption of the proposed rule.

(4) Request the submission of alternative ways to achieve the purpose of the proposed rule.

(5) Request the submission of comments, including suggestions of specific language for the proposed rule.

(6) Include a detailed statement of the issue to be addressed by adoption of the proposed rule.

(b) This section does not apply to rules adopted under IC 13-18-22-2, IC 13-18-22-3, or IC 13-18-22-4.

(c) The notice required under subsection (a) shall be published electronically in the Indiana Register under procedures established by the publisher.

SECTION 3. IC 13-14-9-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.100-2006, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 4. (a) The department shall provide notice in the Indiana Register of the second public comment period required by section 2 of this chapter. A notice provided under this section must do the following:



(1) Contain the full text of the proposed rule, to the extent required under IC 4-22-2-24(c).

(2) Contain a summary of the response of the department to written comments submitted under section 3 of this chapter during the first public comment period.

(3) Request the submission of comments, including suggestions of specific amendments to the language contained in the proposed rule.

(4) Contain the full text of the commissioner's written findings under section 7 of this chapter, if applicable.

(5) Identify each element of the proposed rule that imposes a restriction or requirement ~~on persons to whom the proposed rule applies that (A) is more stringent than a restriction or requirement imposed under federal law; or (B) applies~~ in a subject area in which federal law does not impose a restriction or requirement.

(6) With respect to each element identified under subdivision (5), identify:

(A) the environmental circumstance or hazard that dictates the imposition of the proposed restriction or requirement to protect human health and the environment; **and**

~~(B) examples in which federal law is inadequate to provide the protection referred to in clause (A); and~~

~~(C)~~ **(B)** the:

(i) estimated fiscal impact; and

(ii) expected benefits;

based on ~~the extent to which the proposed rule is more stringent than the restrictions or requirements of federal law; or on~~ the creation of restrictions or requirements in a subject area in which federal law does not impose restrictions or requirements.

(7) For any element of the proposed rule ~~that imposes a restriction or requirement that is more stringent than a restriction or requirement imposed under federal law or~~ that applies in a subject area in which federal law does not impose restrictions or requirements, describe the availability for public inspection of all materials relied upon by the department in the development of the proposed rule, including, if applicable:

(A) health criteria;

(B) analytical methods;

(C) treatment technology;

(D) economic impact data;

(E) environmental assessment data;



1 (F) analyses of methods to effectively implement the proposed
2 rule; and
3 (G) other background data.

4 (b) The notice required under subsection (a) shall be published
5 electronically in the Indiana Register under procedures established by
6 the publisher.

7 SECTION 4. IC 13-22-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
8 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 4. (a) The board shall
9 adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 and IC 13-14-8 on the proper and safe
10 transportation, treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous wastes.
11 Whenever possible, the rules adopted under this section must allow for
12 variation in Indiana with regard to population density, climate, and
13 geology.

14 (b) Rules adopted under this section concerning incinerators used
15 as hazardous waste facilities may **not** establish requirements more
16 stringent than the requirements for hazardous waste incinerators
17 established by regulations adopted by the Administrator of the United
18 States Environmental Protection Agency under the following statutes:

19 (1) The federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42
20 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.).

21 (2) The federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.), as
22 amended by the federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990
23 (P.L.101-549).

